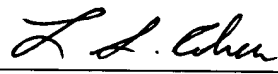




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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Enclosed is a response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated 05/03/2004 consisting of a new compliant Preliminary Amendment. The Notice allowed a one month period for response. However, the Notice was not received by the undersigned until June 9, 2004, which is after the one month period had expired.

It is requested that the attached compliant Preliminary Amendment be entered as timely filed in view of the late delivery of the Notice.

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PRELIMINARY AMMENDMENT FILED WITH
CONTINUATION APPLICATION

This preliminary amendment is being filed with a continuation application of which the parent is application serial no. 09/730,158 filed on December 5, 2002 which in turn is a divisional of application serial no. 09/334,845 filed on June 16, 1999 now U.S. Patent No. 6,205,263. Please amend the above-mentioned application as indicating in the attached separate page.

If any additional fee is required to file this paper such fee may be charged to deposit account (LSC) 50-1054.

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